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Hampton Neighborhood Commission Neighborhood Award Program

Nomination Form



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Date Submitted: ____/____/____

Contact Information

Please indicate a contact person and/or the organization who is submitting the nomination. The contact person should be able to answer specific questions regarding the application and nominee.

Name of Applicant / Organization: _____

President/Executive Director: _____

Contact Person: _____

Street Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone: _____ Day _____ Evening _____ Fax: _____

Please indicate the appropriate category in which your nomination applies (one per form):

☐ **Neighborhood of the Year:** *(Name)* _____

☐ **Mary Johnson Neighborhood Leadership Award:** *(Name)* _____

☐ **Dr. Michael Canty Neighborhood Project of the Year Award:**

Location: _____

Name of Project: _____

Date(s): _____

Nominee Summary

Tell us why the nominee was chosen (one or two sentences).

Supporting Information/Description:

Provide background information that describes the activity/nominee and why they are being nominated. Please limit your answer to no more than 750 words.

Additional sheets and supporting documents may be submitted with the form [i.e. letters of support, project photos, project maps event fliers, newsletters, presentations...].

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Submission Information:

Applications are to be received by 4:30pm on Jan 30, 2016 by hand-delivering, mailing, faxing or emailing to the Community Development Department, 22 Lincoln Street, Hampton, Virginia 23669. All applications will be reviewed by the Community, Appearance, Pride and Image Committee of the Neighborhood Commission. To ensure timely processing of your application please ensure to adhere to this date.



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Program Policy & Procedures

I. Award Overview

The City of Hampton's Neighborhood Commission is proud to continue the tradition of providing leadership, guidance and support to the Hampton Neighborhood Initiative to create healthy neighborhoods. The Hampton Neighborhood Award s provides an excellent opportunity for Hampton residents to celebrate the hard work and dedication of their neighbors in forming partnerships that contribute to the vitality and health of Hampton's neighborhoods.

This year, the City of Hampton's Neighborhood Commission "You Make a Difference" Recognition Program will honor one award for each of the following categories:

- **Neighborhood of the Year**
- **Mary Johnson Award for Neighborhood Leadership**
- **Dr. Michael Canty Award for Neighborhood Project of the Year**

II. Eligibility & Review Criteria

A. Neighborhood of the Year Award

The neighborhood of the year award recognizes the efforts of residents to make a significant impact in the quality of life of their neighborhood. Nominees represent the most engaged, active, and passionate neighborhoods in the community. They have set and made progress towards community goals that improve either the physical or social environment in the neighborhood.

The efforts of the neighborhood should reflect the guiding principles of the Hampton Neighborhood Initiative:

- **Inclusiveness:** Encourages and fosters opportunities for all neighborhood residents to have a meaningful role
- **Communication & Support:** Provides or developed methods of communicating within their neighborhood and with community partners
- **Bias for Action:** The organization is focused on taking an active role in the community that sees tasks through to completion
- **Commitment:** Concerned with the long term health of the community beyond the immediate issues and concerns
- **Build on Strengths (Asset Focus):** Considers how strengths of the community can be promoted and expanded by developing resources rather than fixing problems
- **Continuous Improvement:** Evaluation, succession planning, and capacity building are values demonstrated by the organizations over time

Eligible organizations must be a current Registered Neighborhood Serving Organization with the Neighborhood Commission.

B. Mary B. Johnson Award for Neighborhood Leadership

Mary B. Johnson (12/25/1915 - 07/13/11) was a foundational leader in the Newtown neighborhood for over 40 years. Her work as an educator, a principal, and community volunteer exemplified her belief in service learning, education equality, and citizenship. As a community leader she embodied many of the ideals that make Hampton's neighborhoods great – everyone has value and everyone makes a difference.

This award is open to any citizen of Hampton that has demonstrated the key qualities of a good neighborhood leader. These qualities include, but are not limited to:

- an inclusive approach,
- asset-based focus,
- a partnership builder, and
- a care and commitment for their community.

The leadership and advocacy of the individual's effort must have been performed in a volunteer capacity. The work of the individual must have address social, civic, and/or cultural aspects of a Hampton neighborhood during the past year.

C. Dr. Michael J. Canty Award for Project of the Year:

Dr. Michael Canty (07/30/1959 – 10/06/2010) worked as a tireless advocate for community partnerships between local government, non-profit agencies, school systems, faith based organizations, and community groups. His partnership work with the City of Hampton exemplified his belief in that organizations must work together differently, for the greater good of the community, if they are to create lasting change in the community. His advocacy work for out-of-school time, youth development opportunities, and community resource development demonstrated that a few passionate people, sharing their unique strengths together, can make a big difference.

Eligible projects are those that:

- have made a significant impact on one or more neighborhood(s),
- develop effective partnerships within the community,
- brings neighbors together to make physical improvements and/or to build a better sense of community and belonging among residents, and
- overall, create a healthier neighborhood.

The project may be focused on the social, civic and/or cultural aspects of a neighborhood and must have been completed within the last calendar year.

III. Nomination Submission

- A. Please submit the following information to apply for an award:
- a. completed nomination form

- b. Any supporting documents (i.e. letters of support, project photos, project maps event fliers, newsletters, presentations...)
- B. Nominators are encouraged to work with their respective Neighborhood Commissioners to complete the Nomination Form.
- C. All nomination forms must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on the date set by the Community Appearance Pride and Image Committee. Forms can be hand delivered, mailed, faxed or e-mailed to:
Address: Community Development Department
22 Lincoln Street
Hampton, Virginia 23669
- D. Forms will initially be reviewed by staff and sent to the respective Neighborhood Commissioner to request any additional information.
- E. Completed forms will be reviewed by the Community Appearance Pride & Image Committee based on the described criteria.
- F. All nominees will be invited to attend the "Hampton You Make A Difference" event where awards will be present to the selected nominee.

IV. Nomination Requirements

Nominations will be reviewed by Housing & Neighborhood Services Staff and the Neighborhood Commission to ensure the following information is provided:

- A. A description of the worthy project, organization or individual.
- B. A description of the goals and if the goals were met.
- C. A brief summary of how other assisted (please provide examples). A brief summary of new or revived partnerships.
- D. An explanation of why the project/individual should win the award.
- E. A summary of how the project or individual sustained or made the community better.
- F. Any documents that support the nomination.